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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
YUTAKA TAKANO, ET AL.) : Examiner: Not Yet Assigned
Application No.: 09/496,041) : Group Art Unit: 1646
Filed: February 2, 2000)
For: PROCESS FOR PRODUCING) : June 12, 2000
PURINE NUCLEOTIDES)

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Applicants' February 1, 2000 Information Disclosure Statement provided the Examiner with a copy of Shoichi Takao et al., (ed.), Oyo Biseibutsugaku (Applied Microbiology), Buneido Shuppan (1996), pages 312-331.

Applicants have just completed preparing an English-language translation of the cited reference, a copy of which is enclosed and is listed on the enclosed for the Examiner's convenience, Form PTO-1449.

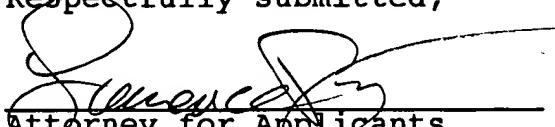
It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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